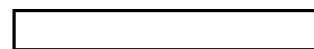


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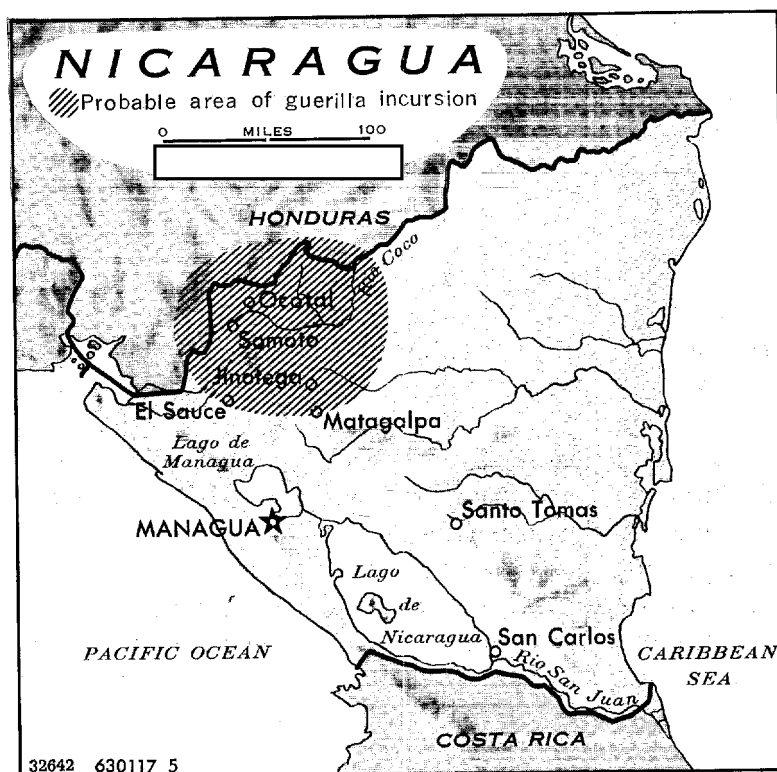
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*Nicaragua: Guerrilla activity probably intended to disturb the conduct of the 3 February presidential election has apparently been instigated in Nicaragua. D

The US army attaché has obtained information emanating from the director of the Nicaraguan National Guard that a guerrilla group of approximately 40 men has crossed the frontier from Honduras. The group is believed to be led by Carlos Fonseca Amador, a Communist and pro-Castro revolutionary who has been training Nicaraguan exiles in Honduras for several months. D

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For the past week Radio Havana has been broadcasting fabricated news reports of an alleged revolution in Nicaragua. D

National guard units, near the Honduran border, and the Nicaraguan Air Force are alerted and can probably contain the intruders. D

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Togo: The new seven-man provisional government headed by former Prime Minister Grunitsky is dominated by spokesmen for conservative upcountry tribal interests but includes representatives of more radically inclined youthful southern elements.

Grunitsky has reserved to himself the key portfolios of foreign affairs, defense, and interior. Antoine Meatchi has been placed in charge of finance, public works and transport, posts and telegraph, and education.

The most important representative of the more advanced southern tribes to be included is Minister of Labor Kutuklui, a young Lomé lawyer regarded for some time as a rising star in Togolese politics. He has traveled in the Soviet bloc and, at one time at least, was identified with pronounced socialist views.

The new government, which is apparently intended to hold office only until new elections can be held, almost certainly will have difficulty attaining any degree of viability.

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The apparent prime mover of the coup against Olympio--a former noncommissioned officer in the French Army named Emmanuel Bodjole--also remains a force to be reckoned with. During the negotiations leading up to the establishment of the new government he is reported to have threatened that any successor regime which did not grant the military higher pay and other rights would suffer Olympio's fate.

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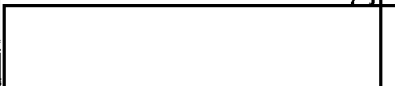
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Laos: (The Pathet Lao is still seeking to block US-chartered aircraft from carrying relief supplies to outlying anti-Communist elements. Souphannouvong protested in a letter to Premier Souvanna on 15 January that such activity did not have coalition sanction. He reportedly requested that the government ask the International Control Commission to supervise such flights or if necessary have the aircraft withdrawn from Laos as being in violation of the Geneva accords.)

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Britain: (Defense Minister Thorneycroft has taken strong exception to the US position that after 1 January 1963 London should pay a proportionate part of the costs of further development of the Polaris missile. He asserts that the British Government would have great difficulty justifying such an arrangement as part of the Nassau agreements.)

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Italy: (Giuseppe Saragat, leader of the Fanfani coalition's Social Democratic Party, has postponed his 21-27 January visit to Washington because of the no-confidence motion which the Communists will present in Parliament next week. Despite increasing strains within the government's parliamentary majority, the government is expected to receive a vote of confidence.)

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